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numbers of a credit card. It's complicated, I won't go into it, but there seems to be unanimous approval of this tiny change in the bill. We also checked to make sure that it wouldn't affect food stamp cards, and it won't, because they're considered credit or debit cards, which are still under the provisions of the bill. So, with that rather hurried and brief explanation, I would be happy to answer questions or go into any more details about skimming. The bill does set up some penalties which are...in the case of skimming which are penalties of felonies. In the case of the...the credit card numbers, they are misdemeanors. So, with that, Mr. President, I would turn the rest of my time back to the Chair and encourage your adoption of this amendment.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Is there anyone wishing to...those wishing to speak on the amendment, AM3077? Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Senator Janssen, members of the body. You can look at a crime like identity theft and you can do all you can to remedy it after it has occurred, but far better to prevent it happening in the first place. I was aware of Senator Schimek's bill. I'm a cosponsor of that bill. And I invited her to amend the bill onto this because I believe it's a good fit. And I ask you to support her amendment, please. Thank you.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Redfield. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Janssen and members. Senator Schimek, would you yield to a question, please?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Schimek, will you vield?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Senator Schimek, there's something that concerns me about this. And I...I'm not sure I even should have a concern, but it's got to do with the operative date of when this becomes...goes into law.